



OUTRAY

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CONGRATULATIONS

SPRINGBOK AWARDS

CYRIL BRATT - St Columbas
RYAN YATES - St Columbas
NEIL O'BREIN - St Columbas
THOMAS MARTIN - St Columbas

LEAPING WOLF CERTIFICATES:

KENTON KOEBERG - Algoa Sea Scouts
STEVEN CLOHESSY - 1st Uitenhage
CALVIN GILLMER - 1st Uitenhage

RESIGNATIONS

Hilary Graham has tendered her resignation as AAC, Cub Programme, and Wayne Roberts his resignation as ADC, Scout Programme. Both Hilary and Wayne have provided sterling service in their respective positions and will be sorely missed. We thank them most sincerely for all they have contributed to Area and District Scouting; their time, patience and unstinting loyalty.

Hilary's commitment to Scouting dates back to 1985 when she joined the 9th East London Scottish Group as a lay member. A year later she went into uniform and when the family moved to Port Elizabeth she joined the 1st Walmer Scout Group as Assistant Pack Scouter. In 1991 she took on the position of Akela at 1st Walmer and in 1994 became Assistant Regional Commissioner, Cub Programme. Since 1996 Hilary has admirably filled the role of AAC, Cub Programme. Although she has resigned from this position Hilary will remain a member of the Adult Leader Training Team.

Wayne has decided to return to his "roots", namely 1st Cotswold, where he was a scout from 1981 to 1987 and where he earned his Springbok and Chief Scout Awards. They are in need of a Troop Scouter and so Wayne will be filling that position. For the past 18 months he has held the position of ADC, Scout Programme, as assistant to Bruce Maree.

We wish Hilary and Wayne well in their respective positions and thank them for a job well done.

AREA AGM

**THE CAPE EASTERN AREA AGM
WILL BE HELD ON
SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER AT 11H00
(please note change of date
from 7th October)
AT THE
1ST WALMER SCOUT HALL
FORDYCE ROAD, WALMER
PORT ELIZABETH**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

15 October	HV Marsh Award entries close
21 - 22 October	JOTA
21 October	Area AGM
28 October	Skilkana - Uitenhage
12 November	PE Cub Cricket
08 - 19 December	National Senior Scout Adventure Cedarberg 2000-09-21
23 December	SAHQ annual closure
2001	
03 - 13 January	6th Gilcoast PLTU
December	6th SANJAMB
2002	
July	36th World Scout Conference /
8th World Youth Forum - Greece	
28 Dec - 08 Jan	20th World Jamboree - Thailand

SOUTH AFRICAN FELLOWSHIP OF FORMER SCOUTS

Scouting has many friends out there who have loyally given their time and their energies to the Movement. Are you one of them?

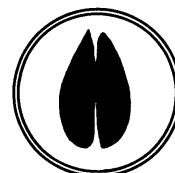
The South African fellowship of Former Scouts (previously the Guild of Former Scouts) is part of a worldwide organisation within the Movement and is aimed at making it possible for former Scouts, Scouters and lay members to maintain their interest and connection, without the same demands and level of commitment. It is aimed at renewal of old friendships, memories of camps, hikes and adventure experienced through Scouting.

It works very much along the lines of local 'old boys' clubs; with a national co-ordinator to provide the link with ISGF (International Scout and Guide Federation). The clubs are informal and as local or as wide as the members wish to make them. There is no regulation or requirement concerning meetings, dress and activities. The only limitations are those outside the Scout Promise and Law, on which the Fellowship is based.

Scouting will be one hundred years old in 2007 and we hope there will be an active Fellowship to take part in the celebrations.

For more information and ideas please contact Margaret at Scout Shop or write directly to:

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GILWELL REUNION 2000

The Gilwell Reunion for the year 2000 was held at the Humewood Sea Scout Hall in Summerstrand, Port Elizabeth. The theme for the day was "beads". Woodbadge holders came from far and wide. What an enjoyable day it was.

After the official opening conducted by Jan Hopkins, all enjoyed a finger lunch catered for by Nadine Leo and Roz Coetzee, mothers of the 1st Newton Park Scout Group.

Next on the agenda was a visit to "Intsimbi" (meaning beads in Xhosa), the only ceramic bead factory in South Africa. Here, owner Sue Herbert and her staff of more than eighteen produce ceramic beads of such quality they are sold in Europe and North America as well as at top southern African hotels, game lodges and parks. The Gilwell Reunion group was taken on a tour of the factory and then the fun began - selecting your own beads from the scratch patch and stringing a necklace. The men in the group were soon sporting their creations while the women agonised over choice of beads and designs!

No outing is complete without a scrumptious tea, so the "Blue Orange" in Walmer was the next port of call. What scones they serve.

Back at the Humewood Scout Hall a Reunion Scouts Own was held at 18h00 during which all reaffirmed their Scout Promise. The service was held outdoors and in the fresh sea breeze and fading light of the setting sun, a feeling of togetherness and tranquillity suffused all.

The day culminated with a celebration dinner, again catered for by 1st Newton Park moms, Nadine and Roz. Five scouts from the group acted as waitrons and carried out their duties most efficiently. They were Ryan and Kyle Grisillo, Steven Ovens, Wesley Williams and Graham Carney. In case you were puzzled - yes, there was a set of identical twins amongst them. The guest speaker was Mrs Molly Trump who gave a talk on beads and brought along her fascinating collection for all to admire and enjoy. Amongst the most interesting were those salvaged from a sunken ship. Centuries ago beads were used as ballast in ships, as well as for trading.

All thanks to Jan Hopkins who organised a superb day. Thanks too, to Nadine Leo and Roz Coetzee for the tasty catering, so artistically presented, and to the Scout waitrons who did such a great job. Then to Colin Stretton of the 1st Humewood Sea Scout Group that provided the venue - thank you.

In closing, the Benediction chosen by Jan for the Gilwell Reunion 2000 Scout's Own:

"All about me are boys, Lord. They are the makers of history, the builders of tomorrow. If, by being faithful to the aims of Scouting, I may prove to be the most important person in their lives, Lord, a hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a boy."



Visiting Intsimbi Bead Factory.



Scout Waitrons



William Satama couldn't resist trying on some of Guest Speaker Molly Trump's beads, nor could he resist an impromptu dance.

The Prayer used during the Gilwill Reunion Scouts Own - 2000

The Youth

You have a minute, Lord? Or maybe two?
For this may take a while to get the words right.
Well, it's the youngsters. Lord.
'The Youth' as the papers call them.
A funny looking lot, it can't be denied.
Walking free, uninhibited
- except that they all seem to be
walking in step, Lord.
All uninhibited in the same rather inhibited way.
Are they (I'll keep my voice low, Lord) confirming?
Leave that for a minute, though;
you still there, Lord?
Look at us grown-ups, Lord - and weep.
Seems we're not so clever either.
We comfort ourselves that we do our best
for our kids.
Try to show them (in ourselves) a good example.
But nearly all the grown-ups I know, Lord,
Don't know their arse (you should excuse me) from
Their elbow.
An example? Us? Oh boy.
Lord, help us to remember we were also
young once - and that we almost
certainly were like that at their age.
Stop us being stuffy, Lord.
It's a great bore to all concerned.
Help us recall (unexpurgated) the
things we got up to.
We also tried out new sensations, Lord,
also looked funny (to our elders),
also gave our parents worry.
Kids do; they just do.
Lord, I'll come to the point.
What worries me most (like most grown-ups)
Is what's going to become of the kids.
But (confidentially) what worries me nearly as much,
Is that a lot of 'em are going to become like us.
Full of disapproval for the kids
of their grown-up time.
Full of head-shakings - and cleverly
edited stories of what were like.
Full of non comprehension and
(worse) "I don't wanna know."
So Lord, help me to learn a little from the kids.
And by knowing that bit more,
Maybe they'll think me worth learning from.
You see, Lord (of course you see),
older is not necessarily wiser,
Not in the matter of understanding kids.
Teach me to comprehend,
for, believe me, I do wanna know

David Kossoff

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TIME

The last 2000 edition of the Outtray will be a combined Nov/ Dec issue, to be published in mid November. The first issue of 2001 will be published in February.

Christmas Greetings will be printed in the next issue and you are invited to submit your messages. Deliver them to Scout Shop or Email mlitho@iafrica.com before Friday 3rd November.

FANIE JOINS THE SCOUTS

With acknowledgements to "Scouting About".

Fanie de Villiers, ex-Protea cricket star, was present at last year's Cub Cricket Day in Gauteng. In advance of this year's event, he had said he wanted to wear a Scout uniform. It was tactfully explained that in order to do so he would have to become a Scout. "How do I join?" he asked. The Scout Law was explained to him and he said he really liked it and wanted to be part of the Movement. So on 10th June 2000, Fanie was invested as a Scout and welcomed as Assistant Regional Commissioner Public Relations, Andromeda Region, Gauteng Area.

Fanie's investiture was held at the close of the Cub Super-sport Cricket at the Oval, Supersport Park, Centurion, Pretoria, on 10th June. Uniformed members of the movement who were present formed up in a horseshoe and everything was ready. The investiture was just the same and just as special as every other Scout investiture. Except in this case the Cubs and TV cameras were there.

Everyone present must have felt mighty proud, watching someone of Fanie's stature making the same promise we have all made with such obvious sincerity. Later, on national television, he stated proudly, "I'm a Scout. At last I'm a Scout. Every kid should do it." He insisted that his investiture was "a very proud moment for him". Welcome to the world wide brotherhood, Fanie!

Fanie's son, Little Fanie, has his name down to join 23rd Lyttelton as soon as he is old enough - and he can't wait!

Over the months leading up to the Cub Cricket Day the cubs had been asked to sell R2-00 raffle tickets and John-Edward Dalton of 1st Parkmore raised a splendid total of R1642-00. For his efforts he received a TV and Daryll Cullinan came to the Pack meeting to present him with a signed South African test shirt. Daryll then discovered what Cubbing was all about and promptly put his two-year-old son on the waiting list.

SKILKANA 2000

THE 1ST UITENHAGE (SOE) SCOUT GROUP WILL HOST THEIR ANNUAL SKILKANA ON SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER STARTING AT 09H00 AT WILLOW DAM
ENTRANCE FEE: R3 PER PARTICIPANT

This is a fun day for Cubs and Scouts to test their skills at Rope Throw, Billy Boiling, Physical Fitness, Kim's Game, Water Relays, Knotting and much more. All participants will receive a Skilkana 2000 blanket badge. Refreshments will be on sale. Further details from Akela Hilda de Vroom and TS Johan van Rooyen to follow shortly. Contact numbers: Hilda Tel (041) 9924101 and Johan Tel 083 458 1455.

LOST PROPERTY

Did you lose a couple of **white plastic chairs** at the Cub Soccer Challenge this year?

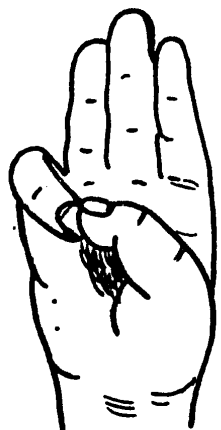
Did you lose a **white dunlop soccer ball** at the Cub Soccer Challenge this year?

If the answer is yes to either of these questions, please phone me as they are collecting dust in my garage.

Jan Hopkins - (041) 379-1955 home or 083-652-9886 daytime

PRO PLAN CHART NO.18

SALUTING



POSITION OF
FINGERS

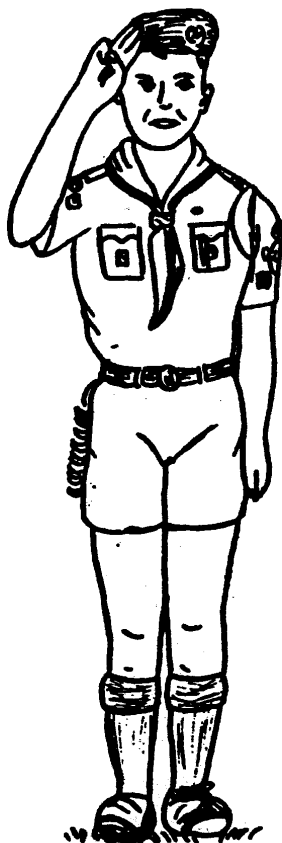


SALUTE WITH HAT

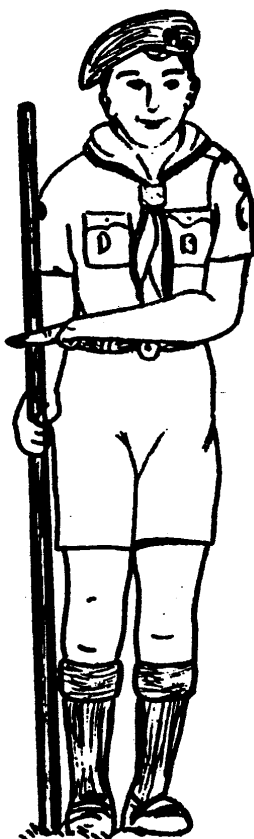
THE SCOUT SALUTE IS
GIVEN WHETHER
WEARING HEADGEAR
OR NOT.



SCOUT SIGN
USED AS A GREETING
AND AT INVESTITURES.



SALUTE WITH BERET



SALUTE WITH
STAVE



SALUTE
ON MARCH

GILWOOD SCOUT TRAINING CENTRE

As many may be aware that Mike Richards has accepted the position as warden of Gilwood and in so doing would like to advise that due to the malfunctioning ablution block etc - Gilwood is closed until January 2001.

It will vitally important for all to note that Gilwood will have to be hired out to other youth orientated activities in order to balance out the tremendous cost presently being experienced and also to make a profit so that the camp can be further developed and maintained to an acceptable state.

ALL Scouting personnel are to be aware that the booking of the camp timeously is important to avoid disappointment, all bookings carry a R250.00 non returnable deposit.

Fees are R5.00 per person per 24 hour period or part thereof.

On return to Gilwood one battled to find bushsaws, mallets, spades etc only to subsequently find them hidden away all broken, unfortunately all breakages will now have to be paid for by the offender.

All Troops and Packs should note that all equipment will now be hired out. The price list will soon be available.

Bookings for Gilwood must be made timeously by phoning Mike on 082 7746697 or by fax on 043 - 726 0213, booking forms will be available shortly at the Scout Shops.

If you would like to use Gilwood free of charge - you could lend a hand, the camp is open each and every saturday at 08:00 to 17:00. For every 50 hours you will get one weekend free, with a special award for those who exceed 250 hours in one calendar year, the possibility also exists to be able to earn badges like plumber, handyman, electrician, carpenter, or metalworker, however please note that if training is required at least a 4 Saturday practise is required before being passed out. The hours in training or badge passing are not counted for the free weekend camp.

20TH WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM

The next World Scout Jamboree will be held in Thailand from 28 December 2002 to 8 January 2003.

The organizers are keen to have young adult leaders between the ages of 18 - 28 years (at the time of the Jamboree) to serve as members of the International Service Team. You would be part of the South African contingent and would have to meet your own costs - travel and a reduced Jamboree fee.

Anyone interested may apply to SAHQ for an application form that must be returned to SAHQ by the end of October.

Winston M Adams - for International Commissioner

INTRODUCTION TO ADULT LEADERSHIP COURSE

A total of 38 adults attended this course held on 8 September in East London. The course was organised by Ms Letitia Tshetu for all the new Scouters in the Central Region.

ANSWER ANSWER ANSWER

How many of you guessed the answer to last month's puzzle?

The answer is "NOTHING"

Now here is another riddle, slightly more complicated to solve.

1. In each street there are 5 houses in a row painted 5 different colours.
2. In each house lives a person of a different nationality.
3. These 5 homeowners each drink a different beverage, smoke a different cigar and keep a different pet.

Question: Who owns the fish???

Please fax me the answer, specifying his nationality, cigar, house colour and preferred beverage.

To make it easier here are some clues:

The Brit lives in the red house.

The Swede keeps dogs.

The Dane drinks tea.

The green house is on the left of the white house.

The owner of the green house drinks coffee.

The person who smokes Pall Mall rears birds.

The owner of the yellow house smokes Dunhill.

The man living in the centre house drinks milk.

The Norwegian lives in the first house.

The man who smokes Blends lives next to the man who keeps cats.

The man who keeps horses lives next to the man who smokes Dunhill.

The man who smokes Blue Master drinks beer.

The German smokes Prince.

The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.

The man who smokes Blends has a neighbour who drinks water.

Good Luck!!

Jan Hopkins - Fax 041 379 1955



Matthew Reve instructing the Cub Leaders with Monica Ntshingwa as Tutor.



Skuta Mndai instructing the Scout Leaders with William Satama acting as Tutor.

THE SCOUT LAW IN JUNGLE QUOTATIONS

1. A Scout's Honour is to be trusted.

"This is my Word which has gone from me."

Red Dog

2. A Scout is Loyal.

"Because I was all but your brother in blood, I promise that when I see a man among men I will not betray ye to men as ye have betrayed me."

Mowgli's Brothers

3. A Scout's duty is to be useful and help others.

"Akela turned from gray to milky white with pure age and he walked as though he had been made of wood, and Mowgli killed for him."

Red Dog

4. A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout.

"We be of one blood, ye and I."

Kaa's Hunting

5. A Scout is Courteous.

"A brave heart and a Courteous tongue ... shall carry thee far through the Jungle."

Kaa's Hunting

6. A Scout is a friend to animals.

"At other times he would pick the long thorns out of the pads of his friends."

Mowgli's Brothers

7. A Scout obeys orders.

"Now these are the Laws of the Jungle, and many and mighty are they; But the head and the hoof of the Law and the haunch and the hump is - Obey!"

The Law of the Jungle

8. A Scout smiles and whistles under all difficulties.

"The most hungry of his enemies would hardly have cared for the boy then. His naked hide made him seem more lean and wretched than any of his fellows But his eye under his matted forelock, was cool and quiet."

How Fear Came

9. A Scout is Thrifty.

"Mowgli ... fell back on stale honey, three years old, scraped out of deserted rock-hives ... He hunted, too, for deep-boring grubs under the bark of trees."

How Fear Came

10. A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

"The Jungle - people put them (the Bandarlog) out of their mouths and out of their minds. They are very many, evil, dirty, shameless, and they desire ... to be noticed by the Jungle - People. But we do not notice them even when they throw nuts and filth on our heads."

Kaa's Hunting



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BATA TOUGHEES NATIONAL CUB CHALLENGE

"Spreading the Scouting Spirit"

Six Cub Packs in Cape Eastern decided to join together for this part of the TOUGHEES Challenge this year, namely SOE Uitenhage, 1st Cotswold, 1st Sunridge, 1st Newton Park, 1st Lorraine, 1st West and 1st Algoa. On Saturday 16 September we visited the Protea Child Care Centre in Forest Hill for an afternoon of fun sports and games. You can imagine the noise and laughter from 131 children playing such games as sack races, potato and spoon races, poison snake, wheelbarrow races, the tug-of-war also proved popular and ALMOST got out of hand. Making paper airplanes was fascinating, as not many of the youngsters at Protea had done this before, but the Cubs soon got stuck in and showed them how its done. The children there are from age 5 to 13 and are mixed girls and boys and were a bit hesitant to mix with the Cubs at first, but after the first round of sack races, all inhibitions were forgotten, and they were all racing to see who could whistle with a mouthful of marshmallows.

Towards the end of the afternoon a wonderful spread of food and cooldrink was laid out, which had been provided by the Pack Scouters, and which everybody enjoyed. All the Cubs had collected toys to bring and to give to the children, and these were very much appreciated by the children at Protea. 1st Algoa had also fundraised to buy seven bibles, which they presented to the children to use in their Sunday School.

At the end of the day everybody had had a wonderful time, and we all left with promises to come back and visit again, which we will.

**Jan Hopkins, Pack Scouter
1st Newton Park**



GIRL GUIDES TURN 90

On the 2nd September Leslie and I represented the Scout Movement at the Girl Guides 90th anniversary celebrations in Port Alfred. Tea was served during the afternoon function and we were waited on hand and foot by one of the Brownies.

We met a lot of interesting people and saw a lot of historical items that were displayed on the walls. As usual the speeches took their time, but were very entertaining. The Guides, Brownies and Teddies put on a concert which was excellent.

The evenings entertainment was a fabulous dinner at the Protea Hotel. It was a very jovial evening that went on well into the night. The speeches were amusing - definitely not dull. The food was excellent and well worth the cost thereof.

Indeed, a very enjoyable, nostalgic time was had by all present.

Ernie Pike